(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI H.R. BHARDWAJ): (a) Yes, Sir.

Before any Government Department purchases computers, they are required to ensure that the system to be purchased is compatible with the National Informatics Centre Network (NICNET), a Computer-Communication Network under the National Informatics Centre, Planning Commission. The reason therefor is to provide inter-departmental querying service through NICNET which has already been established.

(b) and (c). No, Sir.

The compatibility requirement with NICNET is essential to enable transfer of information from one computer to another throughout the Government at Central, State and District levels.

[*Translation*]

Sugar Mills in Aligarh (U.P.)

5728. DR. LAL BAHADUR RAWAL: Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:

(a) the number of applications received for setting up of sugar mills in Aligarh district of Uttar Pradesh; and

(b) the action taken by the Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD (SHRI TARUN GOGOI): (a) and (b). As on 31.7.1991, 2 applications for grant of Letters of Intent/ Industrial Licences for setting up of new sugar factories in District Aligarh of Uttar Pradesh are pending consideration of the Government. The Licensing Policy for Sugar Industry is presently being reviewed by the Government and decision on the pending applications, including the applications of Aligarh District, would be taken after the aforesaid review.

Doordarshan/AIR Stations in Uttar Pradesh

5729. DR. LAL BAHADUR RAWAL: Will the Minister of IINFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to set up Doordarshan/All India Radio stations in all the districts of Uttar Pradesh;

(b) if so, whether the Government propose to set up such centres in Hathras-Aligarh constituency of Uttar Pradesh;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d). There is an approved scheme for establishment of a local radio station with 2x3 KW FM Transmitter at Aligarh. On its commissioning, Hathras district shall also stand benefitted.

On the other hand, Low Power TV transmitters, one each at Aligarh and Hathras, are already in operation. Parts of these two districts also receive TV service from TV transmitters operating at Delhi and Agra.

Shortage of Life Saving Drugs

5730. SHRI MRUTYUNJAYA NAYAK: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state: